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FOLLOWING TEL SENT NEW DELHI CALCUTTA AND MADRAS FROM BOMBAY  
AUG 8, 1975, REPEATED TO YOU. QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L BOMBAY 2007

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: POLITICAL SITUATION WESTERN INDIA

1. NATIONAL RSS LEADERS INCLUDING SECRETARY LOK SANGHARSH SAMITI, NANA DESHMUKH, MET SECRETLY IN BOMBAY ON AUG 4 AND 5, AND CHALKED OUT PLAN OF MASS AGITATION WHICH THEY HOPE LAUNCH BY OCTOBER. PLAN WILL BE CIRCULATED AND UTILIZED AS BASIS FOR DEVELOPMENT FURTHER IDEAS. MAIN TARGET WILL BE STUDENT COMMUNITY. WHILE RSS LEADERS WELL AWARE LACK PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR RESISTANCE, THEY CONFIDENT PEOPLE WILL NOT TOLERATE PRESENT SITUATION FOR TOO LONG. THEY BANKING ON FAILURE MRS GANDHI'S 21 POINT ECONOMIC PROGRAM TO YIELD MEANINGFUL RESULTS. WE ARE TOLD DESHMUKH MET WITH "ONE OF TATA'S ECONOMIC ADVISORS" WHILE IN BOMBAY WHO TOLD HIM THE FAILURE OF MRS GANDHI'S PROGRAM TO YIELD RESULTS WOULD BECOME EVIDENT IN 4 TO 5 MONTHS. (AS FOOTNOTE BOMBAY PRESS REPORTS INDICATE INCREASES IN PRICES OF EDIBLE OILS AND PULSES.) DESHMUKH ALSO SAW INDUSTRIALIST ARVIND MAFATLAL WHILE BOMBAY BUT WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT TRANSPIRED. RSS LEADERS FEEL MOREOVER THAT MRS GANDHI MAY BAN JANA SANGH IN WHICH CASE IT WILL MERGE INTO JP'S LOK  
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SANGHARSH SAMITI. IN THIS CONNECTION OFFSHOOTS OF

RSS (STUDENT, TEACHER, RELIGIOUS, CULTURAL GROUPS) CONTINUE ACTIVE IN BOMBAY AND HAVE NOT BEEN BANNED AND RSS HAS SHIFTED MANPOWER TO THESE ORGANIZATIONS.

2. TOP JANA SANGH AND SOCIALIST LEADERS IN MAHARASHTRA MET IN BOMBAY AUG 6. SOCIALIST MP GORAY ATTENDED AS DID LEADER OPPOSITION IN MAHARASHTRA UPPER HOUSE JANA SANGH MLC PATIL. DECISION TAKEN TO MAINTAIN OPPOSITION UNITY AT ANY COST.

3. OPPOSITION SOURCES INDICATE THAT ON AUG 9 SATYAGRAHA WILL BE ATTEMPTED AT SOMEPLACES IN BOMBAY. JANA SANGH MLC PROFESSOR KANITKAR WILL LEAD ONE GROUP AND SENIOR MLS'S AND MLC'S OTHERS. PWP PLANS JOIN AGITATION IN OCTOBER AND UPON COMPLETION CURRENT AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS IN STATE.

4. AS REGARDS THE SITUATION AS DISTINGUISHED FROM PLANS, A CONTACT WHO HAS JUST VISITED A NUMBER OF INTERIOR CITIES IN MAHARASHTRA TELLS US THAT HE FOUND NO VISIBLE EVIDENCE OF DISCONTENT ANYWHERE.

5. WE ARE POUCHING COPIES OF MIMEOGRAPHED LOK SANGHARSHA WHICH CONTAINS EXCERPTS FROM MOHAN DHARIA'S SPEECH OF JULY 22 IN LOK SABHA. ALSO COPY OF TEXT OF SPEECH OF MP UMA SHANKAR JOSHI AS WELL COPY HINDI TEXT OF AN APPEAL TO CONGRESS MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT BY EX-GOI MINISTER SHER SINGH WHO WAS EXPELLED FROM PARTY. ALL OF THESE ARE CURRENTLY BEING CIRCULATED IN BOMBAY.

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